**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** 

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

**Listing of Claims:** 

Claims 1-12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently amended) A hydraulic coupler for a fuel injection valve comprising,

a <u>first</u> booster piston having the capacity to be coupled to a piezoelectric actuator,

an additional booster piston having the capacity to be coupled to a nozzle needle,

a lifetime filling of a hydraulic fluid between the two booster pistons to hydraulically couple

the two booster pistons to each other,

one end of one of the additional booster pistons being guided in an end of the other

first booster piston,

a booster chamber situated between the end of the one additional booster piston and

the other first booster piston, and

an additional enclosure for hydraulic fluid, the additional enclosure being sealed shut

by means of a spring/sealing element and communicating with said booster chamber.

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14. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 13, wherein the one additional

booster piston comprises a connecting conduit that connects the booster chamber to the

additional enclosure for hydraulic fluid.

15. (Previously presented) The coupler according to claim 14, wherein the connecting

conduit comprises a throttle.

16. (Previously presented) The coupler according to claim 15, wherein the throttle is

rounded on one side in the filling direction.

17. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 14, wherein the connecting

conduit comprises a through hole that extends in the longitudinal direction of the one

additional booster piston.

18. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 15, wherein the connecting

conduit comprises a through hole that extends in the longitudinal direction of the one

additional booster piston.

19. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 16, wherein the connecting

conduit comprises a through hole that extends in the longitudinal direction of the one

additional booster piston.

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- 20. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 17, wherein the through hole is sealed shut by a sealing element at the end of the one <u>first</u> booster piston oriented away from the booster chamber.
- 21. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 13, wherein the additional enclosure for hydraulic fluid comprises an annular chamber situated radially outside the one additional piston.
- 22. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 14, wherein the additional enclosure for hydraulic fluid comprises an annular chamber situated radially outside the one additional piston.
- 23. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 15, wherein the additional enclosure for hydraulic fluid comprises an annular chamber situated radially outside the one additional piston.
- 24. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 21, wherein the annular chamber is delimited in the axial direction by the other <u>first</u> piston and by a stationary housing part.
- 25. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 13, further comprising a spring element clamped between the other <u>first</u> piston and the stationary housing part.

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26. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 14, further comprising a spring

element clamped between the other first piston and the stationary housing part.

27. (Currently amended) The coupler according to claim 21, further comprising a spring

element clamped between the other first piston and the stationary housing part.

28. (Previously presented) The coupler according to claim 13, further comprising a

convoluted bellows delimiting the additional enclosure for hydraulic fluid at the radial

outside.

29. (Previously presented) The coupler according to claim 14, further comprising a

convoluted bellows delimiting the additional enclosure for hydraulic fluid at the radial

outside.

30. (Previously presented) The coupler according to claim 17, further comprising a

convoluted bellows delimiting the additional enclosure for hydraulic fluid at the radial

outside.

31. (Previously presented) The coupler according to claim 28, wherein the convoluted

bellows is deformable in the radial direction.

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32. (Previously presented) A fuel injection valve equipped with a hydraulic coupler according to claim 13.